

Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A distribution board connection module for telecommunications and data technology, comprising:

a housing in which externally accessible input and output contacts for connection of lines and conductors are arranged, with the housing having a cavity in which at least one printed circuit board is arranged, with the input and output contacts being arranged on the opposite end faces of the housing, and with the input contacts being in the form of at least one connecting strip with insulation-displacement terminal contacts, wherein the input and output contacts are detachably connected to the printed circuit board (6), with the connecting strip (5) to which the input contacts are fitted being detachably connected via a front part (7) to the housing (2), with the insulation-displacement terminal contacts (41) being connected to the printed circuit board (6) via fork contacts (42), and with the connection between the front part (7) and the housing (2) being designed such that, when the connection is detached, the connecting strip (5) which is connected to the front part (7) is moved together with the fork contacts (42) away from the printed circuit board (6).

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 1, wherein the connection between the front part (7) and the housing (2) has at least one screw (15) which is associated with the front part (7) and one thread (51) which is associated with the housing (2), with the screw (15) being fixed to the front part (7).

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 2, wherein the screw (15) is fixed to the front part (7) via a groove (19) between the screw head (17) and the thread (18).
4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 2 or 3, wherein the screw (15) is connected to the front part (7) such that it is held captive.
5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the housing (2) has a stop (54), with the printed circuit board (6) resting with its end face, which is associated with the input contacts, behind the stop (54) in the inserted state.
6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 5, wherein ~~the side walls of the housing~~ of the housing have guide slots (14) for supporting the printed circuit board (6), with one edge of the guide slot (14) being formed obliquely.
7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the housing (2) is composed of metal.
8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the housing includes side walls, a base part, and a cover, wherein the base part and the cover (3) of the housing (2) are ~~separated~~ separate parts which can be connected to the side walls.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 8, wherein at least one of the cover (3) and/or and the base part are/is are formed from a spring steel sheet, with profiled forks (8) being arranged on this spring steel sheet, ~~by means of which~~ wherein the distribution board connection module (1) can be latched onto at least one profiled rods-(62) rod with the profiled forks.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 9, wherein at least one of the cover (3) and/or and the base part are/is are screwed to the side walls in the area of the profiled forks (8).

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of claims 7 to 10~~ claim 7, wherein spring contacts (11) are arranged on the housing (2), are connected to the printed circuit board (6), and make a ground contact.

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of claims 9 to 11~~ claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ lower and upper profiled forks (8) are formed from a sheet-metal part (60), wherein the distribution board connection module can be latched onto a profiled rod with the profiled forks.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 12, wherein the sheet-metal part (60) is screwed to the housing (2).

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 13, wherein the spring contacts (44) are connected to the sheet-metal part (60).

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ a housing rear wall (57) is detachably connected to a remainder of the housing (2).

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 14~~ claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ a housing rear wall (57) has side slots into which ~~the~~ connecting strips (5) to which the output contacts are fitted can be inserted and latched from the side.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein cable guides (43) can be plugged into ~~the~~ side walls of the housing (2).

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein ~~each~~ the front part (7) has two associated connecting strips (5), and one connecting strip (5) ~~or one plug connector~~ is arranged on the opposite end face.

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The distribution board connection module as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the ~~contact elements (40)~~ insulation-displacement

terminal contacts of the connecting ~~strips (5)~~ are strip is mechanically supported in the connecting ~~strips (5)~~ strip such that the connecting ~~strips (5)~~ strip can be connected in advance to conductors outside the distribution board connection module.

20. (NEW) A distribution board connection module for telecommunications and data technology, comprising:

- a housing in which externally accessible input and output contacts for connection of lines and conductors are arranged, with the housing having a cavity;

- a plurality of printed circuit boards arranged in a stack inside the cavity;

- wherein the input and output contacts are arranged on opposite end faces of the housing;

- wherein the input and output contacts are in the form of a plurality of connecting strips with insulation-displacement terminal contacts;

- wherein the input and output contacts are detachably connected to the plurality of printed circuit boards;

- wherein the insulation-displacement terminal contacts of each connecting strip are connected to one of the plurality of printed circuit boards via fork contacts;

- wherein the connecting strips to which the input contacts are fitted are detachably connected via one of a plurality of front parts to the housing;

- wherein the connection between each front part and the housing is such that, when the connection is detached, each connecting strip which is connected to the front part is moved together with the fork contacts away from the printed circuit board.

21. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein the

connection between the front parts and the housing has at least one screw which is associated with each front part and one thread which is associated with the housing, with the screw being fixed to the front part.

22. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 21, wherein the screw is fixed to the front part via a groove between the screw head and the thread.

23. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 21, wherein the screw is connected to the front part such that it is held captive.

24. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein the housing has a plurality of stops, with the printed circuit boards resting their end faces, which are associated with the input contacts, behind the stops in the inserted state.

25. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 24, wherein side walls of the housing have guide slots for supporting the printed circuit boards, with one edge of the guide slot being formed obliquely.

26. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein the housing is composed of metal.

27. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein the

housing includes side walls, a base part, and a cover, wherein the base part and the cover of the housing are separate parts connected to the side walls.

28. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 27, wherein the cover and the base part are each formed from a spring steel sheet, with profiled forks being arranged on the spring steel sheets, wherein the distribution board connection module can be latched onto profiled rods with the profiled forks.

29. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 28, wherein the cover and the base part are screwed to the side walls in the area of the profiled forks.

30. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 26, wherein spring contacts are arranged on the housing, are connected to the printed circuit boards, and make a ground contact.

31. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 30, wherein lower and upper profiled forks are formed from a sheet-metal part, wherein the distribution board connection module can be latched onto a profiled rod with the profiled forks.

32. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 31, wherein the sheet-metal part is screwed to the housing.

33. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 32, wherein the spring

contacts are connected to the sheet-metal part.

34. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein a housing rear wall has side slots into which the connecting strips to which the output contacts are fitted are inserted into and latched from the side.

35. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein cable guides can be plugged into side walls of the housing.

36. (NEW) The distribution board connection module as claimed in claim 20, wherein each front part has two associated connecting strips connected to one printed circuit board, each printed circuit board connected to one connecting strip to which the output contacts are fitted.